## INDIANA STATE ETHICS COMMISSION



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## **GIFT RULE WAIVER REQUEST**

Name of Agency: Dept. of Workforce Development (DWD)

Name of Recipients: Beth Green, General Counsel | Ethics Officer

Gina Ashley, Chief Unemployment Insurance and Workforce Solutions Officer

Stefanie Price, Interim Director of Unemployment Insurance Appeals

Suzanne Manning, Liability Administrative Law Judge

<u>Brief Description</u>: Registration fees for each of the above-listed DWD employees to attend Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum's (ICLEF) *Reducing and Responding to Unemployment Claims* CLE program. Tuition with electronic materials is \$185.00 per attendee.

Date of Receipt: The ICLEF program is scheduled for February 21, 2019.

Name of Donor: ICLEF

Donor's Address: 230 E. Ohio St., Indianapolis 46204

<u>Nature of Business Relationship with Agency</u>: ICLEF is a not-for-profit corporation providing continuing legal education seminars to Indiana attorneys. DWD has previously paid fees to ICLEF when attorneys employed by DWD attend ICLEF's CLE programs.

<u>State Why Acceptance is in the Public Interest</u>: DWD's General Counsel has facilitated DWD representatives to present at the upcoming February 21, 2019 CLE regarding:

- Overview of DWD workforce programs and opportunities for employers; updates to DWD's Uplink Employer Self Service ("ESS"); anticipated unemployment insurance regulatory/policy changes
- Common misunderstandings/FAQs; Dos/Don'ts/Pet Peeves
- Overview of unemployment insurance tax liability

Waiver of tuition fees in this instance reduces government spending while providing the opportunity for DWD representatives to educate and interact with Indiana lawyers who engage with DWD.

Frederick D. Payne, Commissioner

2-5-19 Date